

ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST

Catholic Church

NOVEMBER 5, 2023 THIRTY- FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

WELCOME!

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MASS TIMES

No weekday masses until Nov. 22nd

Saturday 5:15 pm

Sunday 8:00 am & 10:00 am

Word & Communion Service

Mon, Tues, Wed, Thurs, Fri. 8:15 am

RECONCILIATION

Confessions will take place
in the Reconciliation Room

Saturdays 4:30 pm

or by appointment

ADORATION

In the Adoration Chapel

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FACEBOOK!



LORD,
LET YOUR
mercy
BE ON US.
WE PLACE
OUR *trust*
IN YOU.

PSALM 33

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MISSION STATEMENT

With the Holy Spirit pouring the love of God into our hearts,
we invite people to Christ by living like Christ through prayer, service, and learning.

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Whoever exalts himself will be humbled; but whoever humbles himself will be exalted."

The readings this weekend focus on the virtue of humility. In today's media-saturated culture, humility often gets a bad name as a weakness. YouTube and so-called "reality" television have exacerbated the human tendency towards self-promotion, and Internet blogging allows everybody to be a self-proclaimed expert on everything. But humility is not a weakness; it's a cure for what ails us. The Catechism calls humility "the foundation of prayer." In order to experience God, we must step out of the way. Humility starts with letting go of our pride and our possessions. It centers on recognizing God as the source of all gifts, and it is shown by placing the needs of others before our own. During Mass, as the chalice is prepared at the altar by the priest or deacon, he says this prayer on behalf of the entire congregation, "By the mystery of this water and wine may we come to share in the divinity of Christ, who humbled himself to share in our humanity." Christ humbled himself for our sake. May we find the courage through the Holy Spirit to empty ourselves of our pride, greed, and fear in order to share in the divinity of Christ by imitating him in our service to one another, especially the weakest members of our communities.

In the peace of Christ,

Deacon Chris

MASS INTENTIONS

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 6 ROM 11:29-36; LK 14:12-14

8:15 am Word & Communion Service

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 7 ROM 12:5-16B; LK 14:15-24

8:15 am Word & Communion Service

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 8 ROM 13:8-10; LK 14:25-33

8:15 am Word & Communion Service

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 9 EZ 47:1-2, 8-9, 12; 1 COR 3:9c-11, 16-17; JN 2:13-22

8:15 am Word & Communion Service

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 10 ROM 15:14-21; LK 16:1-8

8:15 am Word & Communion Service

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 11 ROM 16:3-9, 16, 22-27; LK 16:9-15

5:15 pm Mass Brody Dauw †, Teresa Brielmaier †, Arnold Iffert†, Charlie Frost †

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 12 WIS 6:12-16; 1 THES 4:13-18; MT 25:1-13

8:00 am Mass Tim Brown†, Bill Boettscher Sr †, Tom & Mary Zimmerman †, Richard Hurrle †, Special Intention for Daxton Wilhelm

10:00 am Mass Delores Reuter †, John Schuh †, Bernice Rezac †, Jason Murphy †, Jim Anton †



Flowers for Mary
Stierlen Family
In Memory of
Pete Stierlen

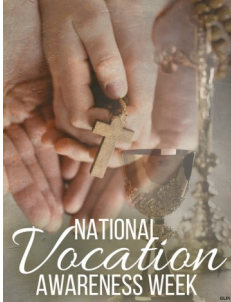
In you O Lord, I have found my peace.



Mary Stenzel
*Who passed away on
 October 26, 2023*
 Our deepest sympathy to her family.



Matt Michaletz
*Who passed away on
 October 26, 2023*
 Our deepest sympathy to his family.



National Vocation Awareness Week
 November 5-12, 2023

"Please ask Our Lord for more dedicated, holy priests, deacons, and consecrated men and women. May they be inspired by Jesus Christ, supported by our faith community, and respond generously to God's gift of vocation". USCCB.org

*I will look after my sheep,
 says the Lord,
 and I will appoint a
 shepherd to pasture them,
 and I, the Lord,
 will be their God.*

Luke 12:42

Thanksgiving Baskets

Blue Earth County has the 3rd highest poverty rate in the state. This year, Echo Food Shelf is serving an average of 130 families a day.

Last year Echo Food shelf provided a Thanksgiving meal basket to about 1,000 families. With the increase in number of families they are serving per day this year, they will be under pressure to deliver even more Thanksgiving meal kits this season. They are asking for our help...

Please consider monetary gifts of any amount. They are able to buy in bulk so your monetary donation goes farther. Or you can sponsor Thanksgiving baskets for \$25.00 each. Please make checks payable to Echo Food Shelf. Donations can be dropped in the collection baskets, dropped off at the Parish Office (please mark for Echo Food Shelf) or mailed directly to Echo Food Shelf by November 6, 2023.

Echo Food Shelf is also looking for volunteers November 6-17 for the two-week distribution of the Thanksgiving Baskets. Please call Diane at 507-317-1800 to arrange a time.



Dear St. John's Family,

My name is Jeanne Fitterer and I work with the Sunday School program. We are in need of prayers for one of our first graders and his family. I have copied off part of the Go Fund Me page (if you would care to donate please go to gofundme.com and enter GoFundMe Fundraiser by Ranita Bothun : Medical Expenses for Daxton) that was started by his aunt. I am including that information and Daxton's Caringbridge site, (caringbridge.org and then type in daxtonwilhelm) in case you would like to read more about Daxton. He is a fighter.

Hi, my name is Ranita and I am fundraising for my sister and brother in law John and Brianna Wilhelm. Their 6 year old son was involved in a traumatic farm accident on Friday and was transferred by helicopter from the scene to Rochester Mayo. He currently has pelvic fractures, skull fractures, left leg fractures, facial fractures and a healing brain bleed. There are still a lot of unknowns. We are forever grateful for your support and prayers.

October 28th, 2023 by Ranita Bothun, Organizer

Thank you all so much for your continued support! We are beyond blessed to have so many amazing people surrounding us on this journey. The doctors keep saying this is a marathon and not a race. Daxton gets to set the pace on his healing journey but the doctor did say it could take up to 18 months to fully heal. Please pray for strength for Dax and his family.

SACRAMENTS OF THE CHURCH

Baptism - To prepare your child for Baptism, it is essential that parents participate in Pre-Jordan preparation.

Marriage - Contact the parish office 1 year in advance of wedding date.

Marriage prep is required.

Becoming Catholic - If you or someone you know are interested in becoming Catholic or have questions about the process (Christian Initiation), please contact Dcn. Chris Walchuk at

Dcn.cwalchuk@stjohnsmankato.net

Sacrament of the Sick - Anointing

If you have a serious illness, are facing hospitalization and/or surgery, please contact the parish office to arrange to receive the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick.



31st Sunday in Ordinary Time

November 5, 2023

First Reading:

You have turned aside from the way, and have caused many to falter by your instruction. (Mal 2:8)

Psalm:

In you, Lord, I have found my peace. (Ps 131)

Second Reading:

With such affection for you, we were determined to share with you not only the gospel of God, but our very selves as well, so dearly beloved had you become to us. (1Thes 2:8)

Gospel:

“Therefore, do and observe all things whatsoever they tell you, but do not follow their example.

For they preach but they do not practice.” (Mt 23:3)

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Leading through Faith, Academic Excellence, and Service

The Loyola Catholic School theater department will present The Wizard of Oz, Youth Edition on Thursday, November 9 at 7pm; Saturday, November 11 at 7pm; and Sunday, November 12 at 3pm in the Fitzgerald Theater: 110 N 5th St., Mankato. Tickets are \$5 for students and \$10 for adults and can be purchased at the door.

Loyola offers a quality program of fine arts and activities, integrated with Christian values and respect. Personal growth takes place as students' needs are identified, special attention is given to enhance their knowledge, and encouragement and positive reinforcement is offered to each and every student. If this resonates with you, please contact Ashley Braulick, Admissions Coordinator, at admissions@loyolacatholicschool.org or call 507-386-5399 for more information.

A Qualified Charitable Distribution is an excellent way to show your support for Loyola Catholic School and receive tax benefits in return. As you plan your required minimum distributions (RMD) for this year, consider using your IRA account to make the most of your charitable giving. You receive a tax benefit even if you take the standard deduction!

Loyola Catholic School's annual fundraiser, **Wired to the Heart** is this Friday. Tickets are sold out, however, you can still support Loyola and its students from the comfort of your own home by participating in the silent auction! Visit www.wiredtotheheart.com to place your bids online. Pre-event bidding will start Tuesday, November 7, and bidding will close at 8:00pm on Friday,

Missing Your Kitchen Items?

There is a table in the Main Level Elevator Lobby with pans, serving dishes and misc. kitchen utensils that were left from funeral and reception dinners. Please pick up any items that belong to you. Thank You!

St. John's Apparel Store

There is still time to order! To place your online order, go to www.unitedteamelite.com Click on "Team Stores" And enter password" STJOHN23 Orders need to be placed by November 13, 2023

St. John's Prayer Network

To submit a request call:

Mickey Bicek 507-388-5906 or Lynn Beadell 507-351-3742
Email: Pastoral Care Associate at: mike@stjohnsmankato.net

MASS TIMES AROUND THE AREA

DIOCESE WEEKLY TELEVISED MASS SCHEDULE:

- KTTW Channel 7 (Sioux Falls) at 7:00am
- KEYC Channel 12 (Mankato) at 7:30am
- KEYC-DT, Digital Channel 12.2 or
- Charter Channel 19 (Mankato) at 9:30am
- KAAL Channel 6 (Rochester) at 9:00am
- WKBT Channel 8 (LaCrosse) at 7:30am



FINANCES

SEPTEMBER 29 – OCTOBER 6, 2023	
Adult Support	\$ 8,855.86
Offertory	\$ 645.00
Donations via website - 10/21 –10/27	\$ 955.00
Holy Day	
ACH (5 th and 20 th) 10/23/2023	7,358.00
Weekly Total	\$ 17,813.86
Weekly Offering goal is: \$ 18,163.73	
Year-to-date income as of 10/20/2023 \$ 301,743.41	

Catholic Ministries Appeal 2023

Our Goal:
\$70,885.00

As of September 29, 2023
\$39,885.14

Need \$31,00.00
to reach our goal.

Thank you to all who have
contributed.

THANK YOU

To everyone who has been dropping off or mailing your weekly donations. We are grateful for whatever contributions you are able to make, as we pay our utilities, payroll and other expenses. Your generosity is much appreciated!

November 11- 5:15 pm

Communion Ministers:

Lector:

Sacristan:

Servers:

Ushers/Hospitality: Team 2

November 12- 8:00 am

Communion Ministers:

Lector:

Sacristan:

Servers:

Ushers/Hospitality: Team 6

November 12- 10:00 am

Communion Ministers:

Lector:

Sacristan:

Servers:

Ushers/Hospitality: Team 10

Jaci will be
in contact
with Liturgical Assistants

For ever I will sing the goodness of the Lord.

Psalm 89

Money Counters

November 6 - Team 3

November 13 - Team 1

November 20- Team 2



**Did you know that you can now make
donations by text?**

Text to: 1-507-428-2929
to make a secure donation to
St. John's!

Just to let you know...

At this point in time in our budget year, the combination of income and controlling our expenses is about even. Our parish budget requires \$23,197 of income each week, and our normal experiences are that some weeks are lower and others are higher... especially around the holidays, when many of you "gift" the church. We thank you for your current generosity and remind everyone to keep in mind the many things that our church provides us. Our physical spaces to gather as a community, our spiritual support, religious education for all, support to those in need, and so on.

As such, we remind everyone to plan ahead... for some people- it is considering planned giving in retirement or at end of life. For some people - it may be setting up automatic giving on the website or through an ACH form that you can find on the kiosk at the back of church, or you may ask for one in the office.

For some others, anything that you can afford - when you can afford it, is good. And don't forget... volunteering to help out in some way is always appreciated. Remember, we are called to be Christ to one another. Our actions are important.

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 6**Word & Communion Service**

8:15 AM - Church

Spirit Singers

5:30 PM - St. Elizabeth's Room

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 7**Sunrise AA Meeting**

6:30 AM - Matthews Hall

Word & Communion

8:15 AM - Church

Piecemakers

1:00 PM - Matthews Hall

Hope's Women's Grief Group

5:15 PM - Matthews Hall

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 8**Word & Communion**

8:15 AM - Church

Choir for Christ

5:50 PM - Church

FF - Small Groups

7:00 PM - Classroom/Mtg Rooms

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 9**Word & Communion Service**

8:15 AM - Church

Simon Ministry

10:30 AM - Matthews Hall

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 10**Al-Anon - ZOOM****Early Risers AA**

6:30 AM - Matthews Hall

Word & Communion

8:15 AM - Church

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 11**Confessions**

4:30 PM - Confession Room

Mass

5:15 PM - Church

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 12**Mass**

8:00 AM - Church

FF Grades 1-5

9:00 AM - Classrooms/Mtg Rooms

Mass

10:00 AM - Church

CLW - Shine Bright

10:10 AM - Matthews Hall

OA

3:00 PM - JPll Room

**Parish Visits**

We are making great efforts to connect with our parishioners and family members in healthcare centers and in their homes. Therefore, we would greatly appreciate your help by letting us know the names of anyone you know who is or could be visited by a parish visitor. Please fill out the following form and put it in the collection basket by December 4. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Sister Mary Ann. Thank you!!

Person/s who could be visited: _____

Place where each person resides: _____

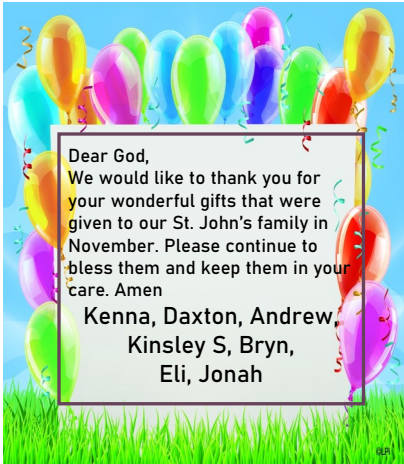
Person submitting name/s: _____

& phone number/s: _____

I am interested in visiting someone on a regular basis: _____

Faith FORMATION^{©LP}

GRADES 1-5



Do you know where we are? The third grade Sunday school class would like you to know their room has been named.



Here is this week's challenge. What is the name of this room and where is it? Stay tuned...



CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR 2023 CONFIRMANDS!

PLEASE HELP US CONGRATULATE OUR YOUTH WHO WERE SEALED WITH THE GIFTS OF THE HOLY SPIRIT ON NOVEMBER 4TH, 2023

Olivia Altomari
Jonathan Bergquist
Brianna Bode
Mitchell Buboltz
Mason Diede
Sawyer Ettesvold
Cameron Fogal
Lexi Guentzel



Jenna Haman
Emma Hanevik
Avery Hoffman
Soren Kelly
Carson Mitzel
Charlie Otto
Adeline Patterson
Taylor Reuter

Thomas Rykhuis
Anne Schill
Lila Schwartz
Matthew Soupir
Thomas Soupir
Ava Tibodeau
Adam Yenish
Evan Zika

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